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SUBJECT: INDIA-PAKISTAN NEGOTIATIONS

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1. INDIAN OFFICIALS ARE BEING VERY CAUTIOUS IN THEIR COMMENTS ON THE NEXT ROUND OF INDIA-PAKISTAN TALKS, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN DELHI AUGUST 18. THE CHIEF INDIAN NEGOTIATOR, P.N. HAKSAR, LEFT FOR DACCA AUGUST 15 AND WILL RETURN JUST BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF THE PAKISTANI TEAM ON AUGUST 17. PENDING THE OUTCOME OF HAKSAR'S TALKS, FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS ARE HEWING CLOSELY TO THE LINE THAT "IT'S UP TO BHUTTO" WHETHER THE TALKS SUCCEED. MORE CANDID ONES CONFESS INDIA'S DISPLEASURE AT BEING CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND BANGLADESH. THEY CLEARLY  
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INDICATE, HOWEVER, THAT, IF MUJIB REFUSES TO BUDGE, INDIA

WON'T EITHER.

2. COMMENT: REFTELS INDICATE CONSIDERABLE MOVEMENT TOWARD A COMPROMISE OCCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE ISLAMABAD TALKS. DESPITE INDIAN PROTEST THAT IT WOULD BE WRONG TO ASSUME DISCUSSIONS WITH MUJIB IN OTTAWA WENT POORLY, WE BELIEVE THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED. HAKSAR'S LAST MINUTE TRIP TO DACCA IS PRESUMABLY INTENDED TO TRY TO WORK OUT SOME COMPROMISE TO PRESENT TO THE PAKISTANIS TO ENABLE THE PROGRESS TO CONTINUE. THE INDIANS ARE TALKING AS THOUGH THEY DON'T HAVE IT YET.  
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